PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For:

MULTILAYERED PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD, SOLDER RESIST COMPOSITION, MULTILAYERED PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD MANUFACTURING METHOD, AND

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

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This is a National stage entry under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/05044 filed July 28, 2000; the above noted application is hereby incorporated by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

4. (amended) The multilayered printed circuit board according toclaim 1,



wherein said solder resist layer contains an elastomer.